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Christopher J. Cormack	) Ex:	aminer:	Thomas, Jason M.
Application No: 10/687,987	) Art	t Unit:	2623
Filed: October 17, 2003	)		
For: Translation of Text Encoded in Video Signals	) ) )		
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### PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT -OFFICE ACTION NOT RECEIVED

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Our Docket No: 42P17666

Sir:

The undersigned hereby respectfully requests and petitions the Office to withdraw the holding of abandonment in this case, on the basis that the Office Action forming the basis of the abandonment was neither mailed to Petitioner, nor received by Petitioner.

Submitted herewith is an Amendment and Response in reply to the outstanding Office action and a fee authorization for this petition.

I hereby state that:

A. The Office action for the above-identified application indicated as mailed on July 9, 2008 to Sunnyvale, California was not mailed to California but to the Office, and

B. The Office Action for the above-identified application indicated as mailed on July 9, 2008 was not received by Petitioner.

C. As to statement A, Attached as Exhibit A is a print of a screen from the Image File Wrapper of PAIR maintained by the Office indicating that on July 10, 2008 mail was returned to the Office as undeliverable.

Attached as Exhibit B is the first page of the document associated with that entry for July 10, 2008. The document is the Office action indicated as mailed on July 9, 2008. The document shows a receive stamp from OIPE of July 10, 2008, consistent with the date of the entry into the Image File Wrapper.

Petitioner respectfully submits that the United States Postal Service is unable to deliver mail from Virginia to California and return it as undeliverable in one day. The course of post from Virginia to California is about 5 days. If the Office action had been mailed to California and returned as undeliverable, then the return would have been received by the Office no sooner than July 18, 2008 and more likely on or about July 23, 2008. The course of post from any location in the United States to any location in the United States is never less than one full day. Accordingly, the reason that the Office action mailed on July 9, 2008 was returned the next day to the Office on July 10, 2008 as undeliverable was that the Office mailed the action to itself. Applicants submit that the Office action was not returned as undeliverable, but simply received by the Office.

OIPE, recognizing that the correspondence was from the Office, assumed that the correspondence has been returned.

Applicants further submit that the address on the face of the Exhibit B is the correct address for Petitioner's office used frequently by the Office in 2008 and later.

Accordingly, mail to that address should not be returned as undeliverable and typically is not. Stated another way, there is no reason for the action to have been returned to the Office as undeliverable other than that the address on the outside of the envelope was different from that on the first page of the action.

Mailing an Office action to itself, rather than to Petitioner constitutes an error by the Office sufficient for refund of the petition fees submitted herewith.

D. As to statement B, a search of the file jacket and the docket records in my office indicate that this Office Action was not received.

Attached as Exhibit C is a copy of the record of the entire list of docket activities maintained by Petitioner's office for the above-identified application. In this record, all incoming correspondence is recorded, together with outgoing correspondence and reminders. On the second page of this record there is an entry for a Non-Final Office Action Received with a mail date of July 10, 2008. This refers to the Office action mailed July 9, 2008. The docket record also indicates a received date of July 10, 2008. However this is in error.

Exhibit D is a detail screen from Petitioner's docketing system corresponding to the entry for the Non-Final Office Action Received July 10, 2008. As shown, the record was created by Di Nguyen (an employee of Petitioner's docketing department) on March 25, 2009, more than eight months after the Official mail date of the Office action. This is the date upon which Petitioner's docketing department processed the Notice of Abandonment which is the subject of the present petition.

As shown on Exhibit C, a Notice of Abandonment is indicated on page 1 as being received on March 18, 2009. Exhibit E is the detail for this record and it indicates that

the record was also created on March 25, 2009 by Joel Samson (an employee of Petitioner's docketing department).

Accordingly, Petitioner did not receive the Office action in question. Instead, Petitioner received the Notice of Abandonment which refers to the Office action on or about March 18, 2009. Thereafter, Petitioner's docketing department retrieved the Office action from PAIR and then added entries to the docketing system for both documents on March 25, 2009, about a week after the Notice of Abandonment was received.

- E. Applicants have discussed the abandonment with the responsible examiner, Jason Thomas, who indicated that he discussed it with his supervisor. Petitioner was told the Office would not send a new action and reset the period for response but that a petition to revive would be required.
  - F. In consideration of these submissions, it is respectfully requested that:
  - 1. the holding of abandonment be withdrawn;
- 2. the above-identified application be passed to the examiner for further prosecution; and
- 3. all fees associated with this petition be refunded to Petitioner's deposit account as the present petition was necessitated by an error made by the Office.

A duplicate of this paper is attached.

#### **Charge our Deposit Account**

Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Date: January 28, 2011

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## Exhibit A



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### Exhibit B

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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

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